

between it and the best residential section of the city of El Paso. You will please advise your friends that, as evidence of our good faith and our enthusiastic support of the School of Mines, we propose to deed this land to the University. To enlarge the campus of the School of Mines, it is absolutely necessary that we have more buildings and equipment and we, therefore, hope that the recommendations of the Board of Control will be accepted. The people of El Paso will do anything within reason to meet any requirements of the Legislature. It does not mean the creation of a new school, but it does mean the proper and just support of an existing institution that must have help if it is to prosper.

R. E. THOMASON, Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Pool, the communication was ordered printed in the Journal.

#### HOUSE NOTIFIED.

A committee from the Senate appeared at the bar of the House and, being duly announced, stated that the Senate is now organized and ready for the transaction of business.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Morse, the House, at 1:35 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

### SECOND DAY.

(Tuesday, April 23, 1929.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Cox of Navarro.
Acker.	Cox of Lamar.
Ackerman.	Cox of Limestone.
Adkins.	Davis.
Albritton.	DeWolfe.
Baker.	Dunlap.
Baldwin.	Duvall.
Barnett.	Enderby.
Bateman.	Ewing.
Bond.	Eickenroht.
Bounds.	Finn.
Bradley.	Finlay.
Brice.	Forbes.
Brooks.	Gates.
Carpenter.	Gerron.
Chastain.	Gilbert.
Coltrin.	Giles.
Conway.	Graves of Erath.

Graves	Olsen.
of Williamson.	O'Neill.
Hardy.	Palmer.
Harding.	Patterson.
Harman.	Pavlica.
Harper.	Petsch.
Harrison.	Pool.
Heaton.	Pope of Jones.
Hefley.	Pope of Nueces.
Hines.	Prendergast.
Hogg.	Purl.
Holder.	Quinn.
Hubbard.	Ray.
Jenkins.	Reader.
Johnson	Reid.
of Dimmit.	Renfro.
Johnson of Smith.	Richardson.
Johnson of Scurry.	Rogers.
Jones.	Rountree.
Justiss.	Sanders.
Kayton.	Savage.
Keeton.	Shaver.
Keller.	Shelton.
Kennedy.	Sherrill.
Kenyon.	Shipman.
Kincaid.	Simmons.
Kinnear.	Sinks.
Land.	Smith.
Lee.	Snelgrove.
Lemens.	Speck.
Long of Houston.	Stephens.
Long of Wichita.	Stevenson.
Loy.	Strong.
Mankin.	Tarwater.
Marks.	Thompson.
Martin.	Thurmond.
Mauritz.	Tillotson.
Maynard.	Turner.
McCombs.	Van Zandt.
McGill.	Veatch.
McKean.	Waddell.
Mehl.	Wallace.
Metcalf.	Walters.
Minor.	Warwick.
Montgomery.	Webb.
Moore.	Westbrook.
Morse.	Wiggs.
Mosely.	Williams of Sabine.
Mullally.	Williams of Travis.
Murphy.	Woodall.
Negley.	Woodruff.
Nicholson.	Young.
	Absent.
Beck.	King.
Fuchs.	White.
	Absent—Excused.
Anderson.	Kemble.
Avis.	McDonald.
Hopkins.	Storey.
Hornaday.	Williams of Hardin.
A quorum was announced present.	
Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.	

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Anderson for today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Nicholson.

Mr. Hopkins for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Westbrook.

Mr. Storey for yesterday, today and the remainder of the week, on motion of Mr. Young.

Mr. Hornaday for today, on motion of Mr. Dunlap.

Mr. Stephens for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Metcalfe.

Mr. Simmons for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Holder.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. McDonald for yesterday and today, on motion of Mr. Gerron.

Mr. Williams of Hardin for this week, on motion of Mr. Quinn.

Mr. Avis for yesterday, today and the balance of the week, on motion of Mr. Sherrill.

## HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Holder:

H. B. No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the State Board of Education; providing for the appointment of the members of said board; prescribing their qualifications, terms of service, and duties; authorizing them to appoint a State Commissioner of Education and upon his recommendation and nomination to set up a State Department of Education and appoint its staff; and, in general, authorizing said board to assume and discharge the duties assigned by law to the State Board of Education and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; providing for an appropriation to pay the expenses of said board; repealing all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 2, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the transportation of pupils to and from school, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Graves of Erath and Mr. Snelgrove:

H. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2655, Revised Statutes, 1925, providing for the election and term of office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Graves of Erath and Mr. Snelgrove:

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2745, 2747, Revised Statutes, 1925, pertaining to the term of office of trustees in common school districts; providing for filling vacancies in said office; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Graves of Erath and Mr. Snelgrove:

H. B. No. 5, A bill to be entitled "An Act amendatory of Articles 2774, 2777, 2808 and 2922e, Revised Statutes, 1925, providing for the appointment or election and term of office of school trustees in all independent, consolidated and rural high school districts; adjusting the term of office of trustees now in office; providing for filling of all vacancies; providing for the date of first election under this act; repealing all laws, both general and special, in conflict herewith and especially repealing Article 2782, Revised Statutes, 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Kemble, Mr. Morse, Mr. Reader, Mr. Pope of Jones, Mr. Holder, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Johnson of Scurry and others:

H. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that the appointment to the State service shall be on the basis of merit determined by examinations, with certain exceptions; providing that the Supreme Court of Texas shall administer this act, and providing for examinations and rules therefor; providing for competitive and non-competitive classes and providing for fees for examinations; prescribing the status of employees now in the service of the State; providing a method of selection of employees and their removal; prohibiting the solicitation of contributions of money and prohibiting employees, under this act, to take part in politics; pre-

scribing a penalty therefor; regulating the payment of employees, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Chastain, Mr. Graves of Erath and Mr. Veatch:

H. B. No. 7. A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for a local option method of determining the question of whether or not the county superintendent of schools in each county of this State shall be employed by the county board of trustees; providing that in such cases the county board of trustees may fix the salary of the county superintendent, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 8. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2588, 2589, 2592 and 2593a, relating to the University of Texas, to hereafter read as follows, and repealing Articles 2596, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602 and 2603, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 9. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivisions 6, 8 and 10 of Article 2613 and Article 2615 of the Revised Statutes of 1925, and to repeal Articles 2605, 2606, 2609 of the Revised Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 10. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subdivisions 3 and 5 and add subdivision 12 to Article 2647 of the Revised Statutes of 1925, so as to read hereafter as follows; and to repeal Articles 2649, 2650, 2651, 2652, 2653 and 2654 of the Revised Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 11. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2676, 2677, 2681 and 2692 of the Revised Statutes, of 1925, relating to county school trustees, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 12. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2700 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating

to the salaries of county superintendents, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 13. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2702, 2706 and 2722 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the county unit system, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 14. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2741 and 2742 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the establishment of common school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 15. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2743 and 2744 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to county line school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 16. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2745, 2746a, 2747 and 2749 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to the election of school trustees and official ballot, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 17. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 2765 and 2766 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, relating to boundaries of school districts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Harman:

H. B. No. 18. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2786 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 by requiring all school district bonds to mature serially, repealing all laws or parts of laws, general or special, in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

#### COMMUNICATION IN REGARD TO AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION FEES.

Mr. Harper sent up the following communication, which was read to the House and ordered printed in the Journal:

To the Members of the Forty-first Legislature of Texas:

We, the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of Morris county, believe that the fees derived from automobile registrations should be spent on the lateral roads of the counties in which they are collected, and we therefore ask that you, as our Representative, pass a law leaving the automobile registration law practically as it is now with all fees to go to the counties, for use on lateral roads, up to a limit of \$300,000. The bad condition of the rural mail routes and the lateral roads, which cover 90 per cent of the road mileage in this State, amply justifies this request.

We further believe that the State Highway Department should be financed in the building and maintenance of State highways by an adequate gasoline tax or other taxes except the automobile registration fees. Respectfully,

Signed—C. W. Vaughn, Jessie Harris, C. R. Allen, R. E. Vaughn, J. B. Will-trout, T. C. Walker, J. H. Griffin, J. Will Finley, W. E. Clay, J. T. Hare, Ray Finley, A. T. Finley, Mrs. J. M. Frasher, O. H. Quarles, Clyde Nix, J. H. Clay, B. E. Ellison, W. A. Pomeroy, T. E. Campbell, A. G. Williams, W. H. Hass, T. N. Lee, B. C. Williams, Joe H. Johnson, R. W. Hoby, M. Hoby, B. L. Martin, J. I. Miller, G. M. McDuffie, Joe B. Freeman, J. C. Clark, Marvin Vaughn, J. C. Walker, G. R. Lile, W. W. Freeman.

#### EMPLOYES ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following stenographers:

Mrs. Ed Kilman, Bill Andress, Minnie Lee Zimmerman, Mrs. Norine Nach-trab, Pearl Williams, Sam Harwell, Jr., Mrs. B. J. Rupert, Carolyn Lowenstein, Lylia Enberg, Ruby Turpin, Mrs. Pat Gray Burford, Lyles Snyder, Agnes Chapman, Frances Taylor, Bess Smart, Lina Jenkins, Mrs. Madge Langston.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Jennie King Russell as typist to stenographers.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following pages:

William Bergman, Olin Crow, Jesse Hellums, Reagan Humphreys, Ben King, Jack Levertton, J. E. Mayer, Gary Morrison, Jack Otting, J. T. Patterson, Henry Rogers, Earnest Smith, Hugh Smith, Harper Ledbetter, Fred Senter, E. Townsley, Russell Soper, William

White, Victor Le Tulle; William Grayson, page to Doorkeeper.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following employes:

Parliamentarian to Speaker, Oveta Culp.

Private Secretary to Speaker, Maude Nowlin.

Clerk for Speaker's office, Sumner M. Ramsey, Jr.

Bill clerk for Speaker's office, Ross Terry.

Porter for Speaker's office, Joe Kemble.

Secretary to Chief Clerk, Mrs. Mary Lehman.

Clerk to Chief Clerk, James Wiginton.

Clerk to Committee on Contingent Expenses, Anita Heberer.

Assistant Journal Clerk, Gussie Evans.

Assistant to Calendar Clerk, Burck Smith.

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Rand Roberts.

Doorkeeper for bar of House, Fernando Williams.

Sergeant-at-Arms in gallery, Sam Pharr.

Clerk for Committee on Appropriations, Tilden L. Childs.

Superintendent of stenographers, Mrs. J. E. Crosby.

Mailing clerk for Journal, Miss Lucy Read.

Assistant mailing clerk for Journal, Grace Caruthers.

Page for Engrossing and Enrolling Divisions, Emmett Davis.

Page for stenographic force, Aaron Taylor.

Secretary to Mr. Van Zandt, Mrs. Olin Van Zandt.

Bookkeeper to Sergeant-at-Arms, J. T. Hamilton.

Storekeeper to Sergeant-at-Arms, John D. Rogers.

Clerk to Sergeant-at-Arms, Billie Davis.

Superintendent of House, Mrs. W. M. Dickinson.

Night watchman, Olin Stanley.

Elevator man, Lynwood Boyette.

Messenger to Old Ladies' Home, D. W. Campbell.

Messenger to Old Men's Home, J. O. Bradfield.

Chief operator for voting machine, Lawrence Ledbetter.

Assistant operator for voting machine, Louis Petmecky.

Warrant clerk, Mrs. Clyde Rudasill.

### TO FIX SALARY OF CALENDAR CLERK.

Mr. Bond offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, That the compensation of Calendar Clerk of House of Representatives throughout First Called Session of Forty-first Legislature be and same is fixed at \$10 per day.

Signed—Land, Harman, Gerron, Man-kin, Bradley, Turner, Wiggs, Graves of Erath, Finn, Thurmond, Shelton, Baldwin, Martin, Harper, Harrison, Chas-tain, Loy, Brooks, Johnson of Scurry, Renfro, Bond, Metcalfe, Finlay, Coltrin, Conway, Sherrill, Veatch, Carpenter, Bateman, Enderby, Jones, Woodall, Murphy, Richardson, Shipman, Johnson of Smith, Van Zandt, Strong, Speck, Sanders, Hubbard, Pope of Nueces.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

### TO FIX SALARY OF ENROLLING CLERK.

Mr. Metcalfe offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That compensation of Enrolling Clerk be fixed at \$10 per day throughout Special Session of the Forty-first Legislature.

Signed—Metcalfe, Bond, Loy, Roundtree.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. McCombs offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend resolution by adding Engrossing Clerk.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Morse offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend the resolution by adding "and the Journal Clerk."

Mr. Finlay raised the point of order on further consideration of the resolution at this time on the ground that the House Rules provide that when the compensation of officers of the House has been fixed it cannot be changed by the House except under a suspension of the Rules.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Mr. Purl moved that the House Rule relating to salaries of officers of the House be suspended for the purpose of further considering the matter.

Mr. Finlay raised the point of order on further consideration of the resolution at this time on the ground that the time for consideration of resolutions has expired.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

### PROVIDING FOR ADDRESS BY DEAN BENEDICT.

Mr. Pool offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The history of the creation and development of the University of Texas should be and is of great interest to every member of the House and Senate; and

Whereas, Dr. Benedict, President of the University of Texas, can give an address on this subject which is both entertaining and instructive; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Dr. Benedict, President of the University of Texas, be requested to deliver an address to a joint meeting of the House and Senate on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock on the history of the creation and development of the University of Texas.

Signed—Petsch, Woodall, Van Zandt, Harrison, Hubbard, Montgomery, Pool, McCombs, Keller, Hogg, Martin, Thurmond, Mullally, Young, Minor, Kemble, Woodruff, DeWolfe.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

### ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Justiss, the House, at 10:45 o'clock a. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

### THIRD DAY.

(Wednesday, April 24, 1929.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Barron.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Conway.
Acker.	Cox of Navarro.
Adkins.	Cox of Lamar.
Albritton.	Cox of Limestone.
Baker.	Davis.
Baldwin.	DeWolfe.
Barnett.	Dunlap.
Bateman.	Enderby.
Bond.	Ewing.
Bounds.	Eickenroht.
Bradley.	Finn.
Brice.	Finlay.
Brooks.	Forbes.
Carpenter.	Gates.
Chastain.	Gerron.
Coltrin.	Gilbert.